MR. P. A. KASIM: As long as there is an Anchal Office available within a distance of one and a half mile I do not consider the advisability of having another Anchal Office at this place.

Non-departmental Anchal Office at Kunnamthanam.

67. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any representation from the public has been submitted to Government or the Anchal Superintendent regarding the opening of a non-departmental Anchal Office at Kunnamthanam in the Tiruvalla Taluk; and

(*b*) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, the action taken thereon?

MR. P. A. KASIM: (*a*) Yes, to the Anchal Superintendent.

(*b*) The matter is under investigation.

Anchal Office at Anikad.

68. *MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR: Will the Government be pleased to state whether any representation has been received from the people of Anikad for an Anchal Office there?

MR. P. A. KASIM: Yes.

MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR: May I know what action has been taken on the representation?

MR. P. A. KASIM: The report of the Anchal Inspector has been called for on the matter.

Transport of food grains from outside India.

69 *MR. P. S. MOHAMED: Will the Government be pleased to state briefly the arrangements that have been made for the transport of food grains from outside India?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Director of Food Supplies*): The arrangements for the transport of food grains from outside India are made by the Government of India and this Government are not in possession of facts and circumstances relating to the same.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know from the member whether in the matter of transport of grains into Travancore from outside will it pass through the Cochin Port?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: Yes, Sir.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: May I know what is the nearest godown to Cochin so far as the Travancore State is concerned?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: There are our godowns at Cochin.

TO MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: Is there not a godown at Alwaye?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: There are a number of godowns at Cochin which are in the possession of the Travancore Government. There is also a godown at Alwaye and that is a Travancore area.

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MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI : May I know whether in the transport of grains will not the expense incurred thereby be taken into consideration in fixing the price of paddy or other foodgrains?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: I do not think that arises out of this question.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI : May I know whether it is not the duty of Government to enquire as to how the foodgrains are transported so that a reasonable price may be fixed for the grains to be purchased?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: This question relates to the transport of foodgrains from outside India and therefore the question is irrelevant.

Transport of food grains.

70 *MR. P. S. MOHAMED ; Will the Government be pleased to state the method and ways used for the conveyance of food grains to the highlands in the State?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : The conveyance of food grains to the highlands is made by means of Motor Lorries.

MR. P. S. MOHAMED : ഈ കൺവേയൻസ് നടത്തുന്നത് ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെൻറായിട്ടാണോ അതോ കൺട്രാക്റ്റ മുഖേനയോ?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR അതു് ഡിപ്പാർട്ടമെൻറൽ മോട്ടാർ ലാറികൾ ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്നോ അവരെക്കൊണ്ടു കൺവേയൻസ് നടത്തിക്കുന്നു. ലോറികൾ ഉള്ളവക്കു് അതിലേക്കു് പെർമിറും കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടു്.

MR. P. S. MOHAMED : ഈ ആവശ്യത്തിലേക്കു മാത്രം ലോറി ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്നവക്കാണോ പെർമിറു കൊടുക്കുന്നതു്?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : The member does seem to have understood the position. Those who want to transport foodgrains in a lorry can do so in a private lorry by giving proper hire and there is no objection at all to utilise any kind of lorry for that purpose, provided the necessary permit is obtained.

Provision Merchants.

71 *MR. P. S. MOHAMED : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table :

(*a*) a caste-war statement of the number of the provision merchants who hold license for the trade in Trivandrum, Quilon and Kottayam Divisions separately; and

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